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# CUBA REVOLT IS BREWING, DODD CLAIMS

He Urges U.S. To Give  
'Open, Increasing'  
Aid To Fighters

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Washington, April 2 — Senator Dodd (D., Conn.) declared today that revolt is brewing in Cuba and urged the United States Government to give "open and increasing assistance" to Cuba's freedom fighters.

In a speech on the Senate floor, Dodd said the United States should make its position clear before the world with a "declaration of independence and freedom for the Cuban people."

## Makes Suggestions

He asserted that the United States also should proclaim again its adherence to the Monroe Doctrine and enforce a total embargo on shipments of Communist military materials and personnel to Cuba.

And he urged that this country use not only diplomacy, but also economic countermeasures, "to discourage allied and friendly nations from shipping critical materials to Cuba."

Dodd's Senate speech was an answer to the address made a week ago last Wednesday by Senator Fulbright (D., Ark.), who told the Senate that Fidel Castro is here to stay and that the Communist regime in Cuba is not a major threat to the United States and should be regarded only as a unavoidable nuisance.

In keeping with the tradition of senatorial courtesy, however, the Connecticut Senator did not mention Fulbright's name.

## Cites Sabotage

Citing a long list of acts of sabotage and open resistance inside Cuba, Dodd told the Senate:

"I think the evidence is clear that the Castro regime is not accepted by the Cuban people."

"The many uprisings against Communist tyranny in recent years and the irrepressible will to freedom displayed by the Cuban people, both point to the conclusion that Cuba in the not too distant future will be the scene of another popular revolt against Communist bestiality."

Dodd declared: "This revolt will take place whether we encourage it or not."

But he warned that "on the day when the pent-up wrath of the Cuban people explodes, our action or inaction may make the difference between victory or defeat."

To insure that the proper kind of support is ready and waiting on the day of the revolt, the Connecticut Senator proposed that, in addition to supporting the anti-Castro resistance movement in Cuba, the United States Government "publicly support the creation of a 'Cuban Freedom Legion' in exile, whose ranks would be open to all Latin-American nationals."

If the United States does all these things now, Dodd argued, "there'll be no need to send in the Marines."

The Connecticut Senator tore into the thesis presented to the Senate eight days ago by Fulbright, who is chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

## Three Fallacies Seen

He said the Arkansas Senator's argument was based on at least three fallacies:

The first, he said, is the fallacy that the Castro regime is secure when actually "it sits on top of a volcano of popular discontent that may erupt at any moment."

The second fallacy, Dodd continued, "is that Communist regimes in general are immune to popular revolt and, therefore, immune to overthrow." He cited a long list of revolts in Communist states over the last ten years as proof the Red regimes can be toppled.

The third fallacy, according to

the Senator, is that a "do-nothing policy" is sufficient, because Cuba "does not pose any mortal threat to our security."

"If Castro remains in power," he warned, "the coming years will witness the emergence of other Castro regimes in the Americas."

## Mentions Brazil

"If one major country, like Brazil, were to go Communist, it is questionable whether the political tides generated by this development could be stopped anywhere south of the Rio Grande River."

"To say this would make no difference to our own security is nonsense."

The Connecticut Senator built his speech around a new, detailed report on resistance inside Cuba, just published by an organization known as the Citizens Committee for a Free Cuba.

The report, entitled "Terror and Resistance in Communist Cuba," was written by Paul Bethel, a former official of the United States Embassy in Cuba.

"The fundamental fact about Cuba," as related by the Bethel report, Dodd said, "is that its people are waging an unrelenting war against the hated, despotic Communist regime."

## Refers To Hungary

And when the revolt comes, he added, the outcome will be different from the outcome in Hungary because the Russians are not in a position to rush in with 200,000 men and 5,000 tanks as they did in Hungary.

"Castro must go," the Senator concluded.